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# FROM THE PRESIDENT OF ISTS

As we approach the time for our annual change in leadership, I would like to reflect with you on ISTS—where we are and where we can go.

We are just over the threshold of a new era in our history. In recent years ISTS has established a close relationship with the Iowa Academy of Science. During the current year this relationship and support of our activities on the part of the Academy has been more definitely defined. In step with this progress has been the continued maintenance of a close affiliation with the National Science Teachers Association and other professional science organizations.



There has been an increased participation in general in ISTS during the current year. Evidence for this has been a growth in the number of district meetings held throughout the state. There were seven held this year under the leadership of our district directors. Also, we have had good attendance at the majority of our general ISTS meetings. Committees have all functioned when their need to get a job done arose. Actually, it has been a pleasure for your president to see the leadership of ISTS carry out responsible planning for its activities.

There are many ways ISTS can grow and be more effective in making a contribution to science education in Iowa. We need to increase our membership, our sharing of ideas, and our willingness to serve. Active members in large numbers who will share experiences and work to promote ISTS activities will bring us a great step beyond the threshold we have recently crossed.

As your president, I have enjoyed getting to know many of our interested and able science teachers in Iowa who work actively in ISTS. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them in your behalf for their contributions to the betterment of science education. It is my hope that our organization will, through its members' talents, continue to grow and increase its worthwhile activities.

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